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**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION AND
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Dear Examiner:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed April 13, 1999 (Paper No. 4), consideration of the following remarks into the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

Claims 1 – 59 are pending in the present application, including method claims 1 – 47, apparatus claims 48 – 53 and article of manufacture claims 54 – 59. Claims 1, 13, 14, 43, 45 and 47 – 59 are independent. Claims 1 – 59 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 101 because the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesy she extended to Applicants representative in telephone conversations on October 6 and 7. The Examiners comments were most helpful in preparing this Response.

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